2.9 K A R N A T A K A

1979-80

2.9.1 Administration : Proposals for (i) establishment of four intermediary Record Centres at each Divisional Head-Quarter, (ii) bringing the record rooms of the State Government and the staff working there under the control of the Directorate of the State Archives, (iii) publication of monographs on relevent subjects by the Universities, (iv) deputation of officers to One Year Diploma Course and Short-term Course and (v) provision ofdark room accessories have been submitted to the Government.

2.9.2 Budget : During 1979-80 a sum of Rs.4.87 lakhs was spent against the budget provision of Rs.7.14 lakhs on the non-plan side. On the plan side a sum of Rs.2.60 lakhs was spent out of the budget provision of Rs.3 lakhs. For 1980-81 there is a budget provision of Rs.7.90 lakhs on the non-plan side and Rs.3 lakhs on the plan side.

2.9.3 Building : As the Department is not having a suitable building of its own, the Government has been requested to provide a big building temporarily and to take early action for the construction of the proposed permanent newly designed building.

2.9.4 Record Management : Karnataka Government Secretariat 'C' Class records were examined of which 9.1% were marked for retention and the remaining marked for destruction. As reported earlier the Retention Schedule prescribed in the Hand Book of Office Procedure of Secretariat Manual is being followed.

2.9.5 Research and Reference : 22 research scholars availed themselves of the research facilities. 86,490 requisitions by the Government agencies and 658 queries by private agencies were attended to respectively.

2.9.6 Reference Media : 30,140 files were listed year and branch wise. Annual Indices for Secretariat departments for the year 1978 were prepared.

2.9.7 Publication Programme : Publication of Hand Books in extenso for all the records of the Archives and the publication of letters of important correspondence of the Dewans with Residents and other important state documents of the period in a series of volumes under the title "Karnataka Letters" constitute a major project of the Department. Four volumes relating to Dewans T.R.A.Thumboo Chetty, Sir P.N.Krishnamurthy, Sir V.P.Madhava Rao, Sir T.Ananda Rau and the related documents of the period are under print.

Two volumes of collection of letters, entitled "Fort Saint George letters to the Court of Directors, London" are also under print. The drafting of the Departmental Manual is also in progress.

2.9.8 Library : 6,650 books were acquired.

2.9.9 Preservation of Records : 2,824 books were bound.

2.9.10 Photo-Duplicstion : The department has its own micro-film unit. 3,546 Xerox copies were supplied to public, research scholars and Government agencies and 6,840 documents were microfilm-filmed.

2.9.11 Other Activities : The Department conducts survey of historical documents at Government/non-Government departments and private institutions with a view to acquire documents of historical value for the use of public and private agencies.

An exhibition was organised during the Archives Week in October 1979.